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INTRODUCTION

HOUSE BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Hathaway scholarship program-enrollment expansion.

Sponsored by: HDRAFT

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the Hathaway student scholarship  
2 program; authorizing use of scholarship awards for  
3 enrollment in limited summer school and between term  
4 courses as specified; modifying provisions accordingly;  
5 imposing duties upon the department of education; and  
6 providing for effective dates.

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8 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-16-1301(a)(i), 21-16-1304(c)(i)  
11 and (ii), (f)(intro) and by creating a new subsection (h)  
12 and 21-16-1305(b)(i) and (ii), (d)(intro) and by creating a  
13 new subsection (e) are amended to read:

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1           **21-16-1301. Definitions.**

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3           (a) As used in this article:

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5           (i) "Academic term" means the fall semester or term  
6 or the spring semester or term. In this article, "term"  
7 and "semester" have the same meaning except that recipients  
8 may elect to use the scholarship during summer school,  
9 which except as provided by W.S. 21-16-1304(h) and  
10 21-16-1305(e), counts toward the maximum number of terms  
11 for which the student is eligible but does not count toward  
12 computation of an academic year;

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14           **21-16-1304. Hathaway opportunity, performance and**  
15 **honor scholarships.**

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17           (c) To remain eligible for the scholarship under this  
18 section, the student shall:

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20           (i) Except as provided in W.S. 21-16-1303(f) and  
21 subsection (h) of this section, make satisfactory academic  
22 progress toward a degree. If a student fails to make  
23 satisfactory academic progress or maintain the cumulative

1 grade point average required for continuation in the  
2 program as provided in this subsection, the student shall  
3 become ineligible for the scholarship in subsequent  
4 semesters unless granted an exception for cause by the  
5 department or except as otherwise provided in subsection  
6 (f) of this section. The department may delegate to any  
7 eligible institution the department's authority to grant an  
8 exception for cause, but shall only do so in accordance  
9 with department rules establishing procedures and criteria  
10 for granting an exception and any eligible institution  
11 acting pursuant to such delegation shall grant exceptions  
12 only in accordance with those rules;

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14 (ii) Except as provided in W.S. 21-16-1303(f)  
15 and ~~subsection~~ subsections (f) and (h) of this section,  
16 maintain continuous enrollment for not less than two (2)  
17 semesters in each successive academic year. The department  
18 shall by rule and regulation establish exceptions to the  
19 requirement of this paragraph for military service,  
20 religious service and other good cause shown; and

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22 (f) If a student is otherwise eligible under this  
23 article and neither the applicable number of full-time

1 equivalent semesters nor the maximum scholarship  
2 eligibility time period specified under subsection (b) of  
3 this section and W.S. 21-16-1303(d), including semesters  
4 for which a scholarship was not received, has been reached,  
5 a scholarship under this section which is lost may be  
6 reinstated if the student meets the applicable requirements  
7 imposed by this subsection and successfully completes  
8 courses at an eligible institution in a summer school  
9 session for which the student enrolled in at least six (6)  
10 semester hours or an academic term occurring during the  
11 period the scholarship is lost. A lost scholarship shall be  
12 reinstated in the first academic term following the  
13 academic term or summer school session during which the  
14 student:

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16 (h) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (a)(i)(B), (ii)(B)  
17 and (iii)(B) of this section, the applicable scholarship  
18 amount awarded to any eligible student may be available to  
19 that student, upon election, for enrollment in less than  
20 six (6) semester hours during any summer academic term or  
21 other academic term offered by an eligible institution  
22 outside of the regular fall or spring semester, subject to  
23 the following:



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2           (i) The amount provided under subparagraphs  
3 (a)(i)(A), (ii)(A) or (iii)(A) of this section, as  
4 applicable, for enrollment in less than six (6) hours  
5 during any summer term or other academic term offered by an  
6 eligible institution shall be available in an amount equal  
7 to the proportion of the per semester scholarship amount  
8 that the number of semester hours enrolled bears to twelve  
9 (12);

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11           (ii) The computation under paragraph (i) of this  
12 subsection shall be based upon that scholarship amount for  
13 which the student is qualified under this section at the  
14 time of his enrollment in the summer or other academic term  
15 pursuant to this subsection;

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17           (iii) The amount paid under this subsection  
18 shall be included in computing the student's total maximum  
19 scholarship amount under this section, as applied to that  
20 scholarship amount for which the student qualifies under  
21 this section at the time of his last eligible academic  
22 semester or semesters, as applicable;

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1           (iv) Scholarships under this subsection shall  
2 not be included in computations for that student's six (6)  
3 academic year limitation on scholarships under this  
4 section, his eight (8) or four (4) full-time semester  
5 equivalency limitation under subsection (b) of this  
6 section, as applicable, his satisfactory academic progress  
7 requirements under paragraph (c)(i) of this section, his  
8 continuous enrollment requirements under paragraph (c)(ii)  
9 of this section or in reinstating lost scholarships under  
10 paragraph (f)(iii) of this section;

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12           (v) The student's hours of enrollment under this  
13 subsection shall be used to determine the state's  
14 obligation to reimburse the eligible institution for the  
15 student's scholarship as applied under this subsection,  
16 subject to W.S. 21-16-308(a)(v) and rules and regulations  
17 of the department.

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19           **21-16-1305. Hathaway           provisional           opportunity**  
20 **scholarships.**

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22           (b) To remain eligible for the scholarship award  
23 under this section, the student shall:

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(i) Except as provided by W.S. 21-16-1303(f) and subsection (e) of this section, make satisfactory academic progress toward a certificate or degree. If a student fails to make satisfactory academic progress or maintain the cumulative grade point average required for continuation in the program provided in paragraph (iii) of this subsection, the student shall become ineligible for the scholarship in subsequent semesters unless granted an exception for cause by the department or except as otherwise provided in subsection (d) of this section. The department may delegate to any eligible institution the department's authority to grant an exception for cause, but shall only do so in accordance with department rules establishing procedures and criteria for granting an exception and any eligible institution acting pursuant to such delegation shall grant exceptions only in accordance with those rules;

(ii) Except as provided by W.S. 21-16-1303(f) and ~~subsection~~ subsections (d) and (e) of this section, maintain continuous enrollment for not less than two (2) semesters in each successive academic year. The department shall by rule and regulation establish exceptions to the

1 requirement of this paragraph for military service,  
2 religious service and other good cause shown; and  
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4 (d) If a student is otherwise eligible under this  
5 article and neither the applicable number of full-time  
6 equivalent semesters nor the maximum scholarship  
7 eligibility time period specified under paragraph (a)(ii)  
8 of this section and W.S. 21-16-1303(d), including semesters  
9 for which a scholarship was not received, has been reached,  
10 a scholarship under this section which is lost may be  
11 reinstated if the student meets the applicable requirements  
12 imposed by this subsection and successfully completes  
13 courses at an eligible institution in a summer school  
14 session for which the student enrolled in at least six (6)  
15 semester hours or an academic term occurring during the  
16 period the scholarship is lost. A lost scholarship shall be  
17 reinstated in the first academic term following the  
18 academic term or summer school session during which the  
19 student:

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21 (e) Notwithstanding subparagraph (a)(i)(B) of this  
22 section, the scholarship amount awarded to any eligible  
23 student may be available to that student, upon election,



1 for enrollment in less than six (6) semester hours during  
2 any summer academic term or other academic term offered by  
3 an eligible institution outside of the regular fall or  
4 spring semester, subject to the following:

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6 (i) The amount provided under subparagraph  
7 (a)(i)(A) of this section for enrollment in less than six  
8 (6) hours during any summer term or other academic term  
9 offered by an eligible institution shall be available in an  
10 amount equal to the proportion of the per semester  
11 scholarship amount that the number of semester hours  
12 enrolled bears to twelve (12);

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14 (ii) The computation under paragraph (i) of this  
15 subsection shall be based upon that scholarship amount for  
16 which the student is qualified under this section at the  
17 time of his enrollment in the summer or other academic term  
18 pursuant to this subsection;

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20 (iii) The amount paid under this subsection  
21 shall be included in computing the student's total maximum  
22 scholarship amount under this section, as applied to that  
23 scholarship amount for which the student qualifies under

1 this section at the time of his last eligible academic  
2 semester or semesters, as applicable;

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4 (iv) Scholarships under this subsection shall  
5 not be included in computations for that student's six (6)  
6 academic year limitation on his scholarship under this  
7 section, his four (4) year full-time semester equivalency  
8 limitation or extension thereof under paragraph (a)(iii) of  
9 this section, his satisfactory academic progress  
10 requirements under paragraph (b)(i) of this section, his  
11 continuous enrollment requirements under paragraph (b)(ii)  
12 of this section or in reinstating lost scholarships under  
13 paragraph (d)(iii) of this section;

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15 (v) The student's hours of enrollment under this  
16 subsection shall be used to determine the state's  
17 obligation to reimburse the eligible institution for the  
18 student's scholarship as applied under this subsection,  
19 subject to W.S. 21-16-308(a)(v) and rules and regulations  
20 of the department.

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22 **Section 2.** The department of education shall  
23 promulgate rules and regulations necessary to administer

1 scholarship payments to the University of Wyoming and  
2 Wyoming community colleges for purposes of this act in  
3 sufficient time for implementation in the 2014-2015  
4 academic year.

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6 **Section 3.**

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8 (a) Except as provided by subsection (b) of this  
9 section, this act is effective July 1, 2014.

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11 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section,  
12 section 2 of this act is effective immediately upon  
13 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
14 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
15 Constitution.

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17 (END)

